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by assignment from
Arthur Hasleyton.
C + P - 182

Coffield + Stamps

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Mrs. Georgiette Clarke Holmes
Clarkehurst
Surry, Virginia

Wednesday.

My dear Mrs Chakman:

I am returning to you the paper which you so kindly loaned me concerning the Cofield family, for which I thank you so much.

I see that neither you or Mrs Harrell seem to know about that branch of the family which located at Edenton N.C.. There are many old tombstones in the churchyard

of the old Colonial church there - which is said to be the oldest church in the state; and what is more, they have kept and preserved records in this church back to a very early date. The Coffields were members of this church, and some of their descendants still are. The fact of found a number of the descendants still living there. I did not, however remain long enough to undertake a search for family history; but I am sure that much of value might be found there.

I know about Benjamin -

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Mrs. Georgiette Clarke Holmes
Clarkehurst
Surry, Virginia

Cofield and his descendants who lived in Edgecumb County N.C.. One of his direct descendants - a Miss - Ward of Nashville Tenn., has been in Virginia twice in the past ten years tracing the family. She told me that there was a murder in Benj. Cofield's family - a young daughter, which was a mystery; that she had cleared up this tragedy and was then writing a novel about it. I have written Mrs - Harrell about her, and Mrs H. -

from whom I have heard, thinks Miss Ward, if she can find her, may solve the then riddle about the Co-field line.

I am afraid you thought I never would return these papers, but I kept thinking I would run down to Smithfield and return them in person, when we could talk them over. However, I hope for that pleasure sometime in the future.

Hoping this reaches you all safely, and thanking you again, I am Sincerely,

Georgette Clarke Holmes.

* She evidently had traced that branch of the family as far back as Virginia, to the Co[illegible] who settled in Isle of Wight County.

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(Fairbanks' Crests:- Page 115 Plate 71 Crest II.)

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(William & Mary Quarterly, Vol. VII. Page 290)

Gresham Coffield & Thomas Stamford Augt 14, 1635. 200 acres adjoining the land of Ephraphroditus Lawson. Easterly.

No ~~W~~ upon Nansemond river

(Page 293)

Gresham Coffield, July 8-1640, 200 Acres joining on the land of Ephraphroditus Lawson.

(Page 298)

Captain Washington 200 Acres in the county of Warwick. adjoining the land of Ephraphroditus Lawson and the Nansemond river.

Due for transportation of three persons, Arthur Washington, Thomas Morgan, John Bannister.

Renewed in the name of Gresham Coffield. July 8-1640

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William & Mary Quarterly, Vol VII Page 230-

Will of Martha Hogan of the Isles of Wight Co., dated 12 Jan. 1607- proved 9. Feb. 1607 1/3 part of all his

Duplicate

estate to his wife, Catherine, for life, all the rest of his estate to the child his wife now goeth with, and in case the said child doth not come to perfection or capacity to inherit all my said land & est to go to Robt Crosfield (son of Capt Wm Crosfield) & said Robt Crosfield all my books my Rapier and my fowling piece: to Elizabeth Crosfield a feather Bed and two cupboard: to Capt Wm Crosfield my seal ring, and to his wife 10 shil. to buy her a ring & Katherine, daughter of John Dew, a cow called Star and pewter dishes.

I bequeath to the Church of Isles of Wight one hogshead of tobacco containing 300 lbs: Crosses to John King & to John Proctors child: 20 shillings to my countryman and John Rogers of Middle Plantations to buy him a ring.

Capt William Crosfield and my wife Katherine Exors.

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William & Mary College Quarterly, Vol. VII Page 310 (9)

The name spelled Cofield, Coffield, Canfield, Crosfield

Capt Robt Canfield was son of William Canfield of the Parish of Chuckatuck, Nansemond Co, Va, & Rebecca his wife. He married Elizabeth Allen, widow of Arthur

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Allen:- & she married secondly, Col. Wm Bridger. X
He had a sister, Elizabeth Coffield, living 1674.

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(William & Mary College Quarterly, Vol. VII Page 210)
Will of Capt Robert Canfield, of Sarum Albemarle Parish
Surry county: names niece Elizabeth (wife of William
Holt) niece Mary (wife of James Burton) nephew
John Seward, legacy to Mary (dau. of Charles Williams)
to Mrs Mary Holt & 1st child: legacies to Frances (dau. of
Frances Mason) Elizabeth (daughter of Arthur Allen)
to Katherine and James (children of Arthur Allen) to
Mrs Elizabeth Holt: Wm Hancock & his wife: to Samuel Peebles & John Collins: wife Elizabeth.
Dated Jan. 2-1691 proved Jan. 19-1691

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Coffield
Office of Clerk of Court, Edgecombe Co. N.C. Will Book
"A" page 182.
Will of Benjamin Coffield. Legacies.
Son, Buchanan, daughter Anne Jones: grandson
Allen Jones; daughter, Penelope Coffield, son
Benjamin, daughter Mary Coffield, wife Rosannah
Exr. brother Spiers Coffield.
Oct. 24-1770

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Dr. The Estate of Mary Coffield, as Admr of Benja-
mine Coffield, decd

To James Jones, Exdr Ct. 1772 Jan. Ct. 1770.

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Acct of the sales of the Estate of Mary Coffield decd
taken the 24th day of August, 1774

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Wm Coffield vs Nancymon & Elizabeth Sheppard
at Elizabeth City, Ct. 1694/5.

VALDOSTA, GEORGIA

Jan 12-'32

My dear Mrs Chapman.

For the past week I have been tacking my mental chins against the thing I've call time, in my eagerness to tuck aside every real and imaginary misfortune and set down to a "family confidence" with you.

Before I begin on this family whose history has intrigued me for years, please let me say thank you for your letter, your invitation and your promise of future help.

As I have just said for a number of years I have been trying to bridge the gap in the Offield, spelled 1638-1770, and find which branch of the immigrant Graham Offield to which I belong.

It does not seem to me this 132 years would be impossible to bridge by those who really know how to search old record in which your particular section is so fabulously rich and I have scattered my dimes and dollars up and down the eastern seaboard

among genealogist who unfortunately have not had cause to help me and I am unfortunately delighted to get in touch with you who seem so near (although I have not looked at my geography recently) their Camping ground.

As a reputable sheet I am sending you some items taken from William & Mary Quarterly. Their Coat of Arms show them to be English which I hope will make the search easier. I would say that Benjamin Coffield m Rosannah, who died in Edgecomb County N.C. 1770 was possibly a great, great-grandson of Freshwater Coffield of 1608 that both ends are to be proved. Which I hope you will undertake to do.

I am not in position to pay fancy prices but if you will undertake to help me I will be glad to pay for proven data. I have quite a lot of tradition, and where it is most helpful in proving the way it is not sufficient to preclude a family trees life long span.

I would like to know the name of Rosannah Coffield's parents and think I felt almost entranced to say it the parents of Johnson who married Ann Coffield.

VALDOSTA, GEORGIA

I will not write of the Joneses now, but as our correspondence progresses I will lay all my cards on the table of your pleasure.

I have rather an inhibition for antiques and would be thrilled to go with you on some of their trip, in and out among those who paint white the gold leaf frames of quaint ancestors.

I am now thinking of having copies made of my maternal grandparents photographs which are absolutely adorable in their quaintness.

Please let me hear from you as soon as you have assimilated these notes, and with best wishes that they may be easy to digest. I am

Cordially yours

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